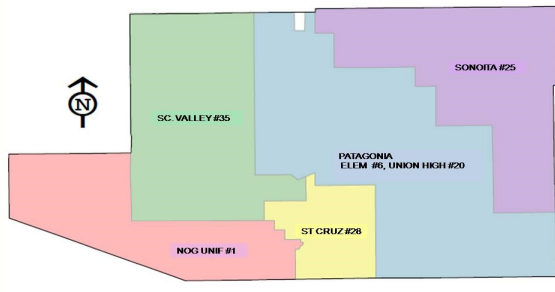


As an Education Services Agency, the Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office provides services and support for schools and districts which also include the following::

- Supporting efforts to improve classroom instruction
- Assisting schools in improving academic achievement
- Maintaining teacher certification records
- Keeping home school and private school student affidavit of intent records
- Responding to diverse educational needs as requested
- Advocating increased communication on current educational topics
- Writing and administering grants
- Developing and implementing 21st Century educational delivery options
- Providing teacher professional development opportunities

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School District Accounting and Financial

The Santa Cruz County Superintendent's Office provides services and support for schools and districts including some of the following:

- Processing expense and payroll warrants
- Reconciling cash balances with the County Treasurer's Office
- Submitting payroll tax, withholding, wage, and compensation reports to outside agencies
- Assisting in budget preparation and analysis
- Verifying federal and state completion reports and transmitting them to the Arizona Department of Education
- Serving as fiscal agent for consortium grants



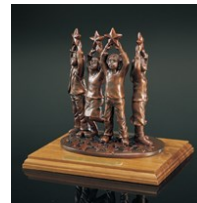
The Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office coordinates school elections by providing expertise in the areas of:

- School Board Elections
- Override Elections
- Bond Elections
- Recall Elections
- Property Sale Elections
- Consolidation/Unification Elections
- School Board Appointments



Special Events

The Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office also organizes and hosts special events such as: "Teacher Of The Year," County Spelling Bee, and oversees the student art projects at the County Fair .



Emergency Preparedness

In 2007 Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office received funding for the REMS program grant through the United States Department of Education, Emergency Response Plans for School Safety Initiative.

The goal for this plan is to improve, expand, create, and maintain safer schools for all students throughout Santa Cruz County.

RESPONSEnet

The Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office oversees the educational needs of students who are enrolled in non-traditional public schools which include:

Accommodation School Districts– Serving the unique educational needs of students.

Juvenile Detention Education– Collaborating with juvenile court authorities to provide educational services for detained youth .The division is responsible for ensuring the safety and well-being of those juveniles (persons between the ages of 8 and 18) who require secure care services (i.e., placement in a juvenile detention center).

Instructional Technologies– Developing and implementing alternative educational opportunities.

"Salud Por Vida"- Implements a curriculum for health coaches and teachers that addresses student needs and leads to changed behavior and attitudes in regards to a Health and Nutrition Program.

"SAREC"- Southern Arizona Regional Education Center's Network of professional development support to strengthen teacher and leader efficacy in southern Arizona schools.

